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Claim 1 (currently amended): A collapsible window covering capable of height adjustment, comprising, in combination:

- a) an upper elongated support, including a longitudinally extending straight channel,
- b) a lower elongated member that is adjustable up and down,
- c) primary ~~lines~~ line extents extending downwardly to suspend said lower elongated member,
- d) primary rotors at said upper elongated support to entrain said primary ~~lines~~ line extents,
- e) a at least one secondary line, having there being an operative connection to of said primary ~~lines~~ line extents to said at least one secondary line,
- f) and means acting on said at least one secondary line for counterbalancing suspension force exerted on said primary ~~lines~~ line extents at different window covering height adjusted levels,
- g) said means including ~~dual~~ rotary members at least one of which exerts tensioning force on said at least one secondary line, ~~said primary lines and said operative connection remaining everywhere spaced from said dual rotary members,~~

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h) said means including a spring means
windingly coupled to said ~~two~~ rotary members acting to
urge said at least one of said rotary members in a
direction for winding said at least one secondary line
on said at least one rotary member, said at least one
secondary line being the only means for exerting
tensioning force ~~exerting line~~ wound on said at least
one rotary member[[.]],

i) there being a receptacle closely
confined in the channel and in which said rotary
members and spring means are carried, the channel
orienting said receptacle so that said at least one
secondary line and said connection remain substantially
directly aligned in the channel with said at least one
rotary member in the receptacle, during said
longitudinal travel of the connection in the channel,
the channel confining said at least one secondary line
to approach said at least one rotary member from a
single longitudinal direction only, and so as to
provide a protected longitudinal travel path for said
connection in the channel toward said at least one
rotary member, said at least one secondary line
extending longitudinally and generally horizontally to

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approach and wind about said at least one rotary member.

Claim 2 (currently amended): The combination of claim 1 wherein the said at least one secondary line consists of only a single secondary line that extends from said connection to about the said at least one rotary member, for assisting spring exertion of force acting to hold the window covering in selected height position.

Claim 3 (cancelled):

Claim 4 (currently amended): The combination of claim 1 wherein said primary rotors are pulleys located in said upper support[[]], whereby said primary line extents and said operative connection remain everywhere spaced from said rotary members, at all times of longitudinal travel of said connection toward said at least one rotary member in the channel.

Claim 5 (currently amended): The combination of claim 1 wherein said dual rotary members are members A and B between which the spring is transferred, and as the spring is transferred from the rotary member A onto

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rotary member B, ~~the~~ said at least one secondary line unwinds from a rotary member and a primary line extent traverses across or over first and fourth pulleys and across or over third and second pulleys, then through an aperture in the upper support to suspend the window covering, said pulleys defined by said primary rotors.

Claim 6 (currently amended): The combination of claim 5 wherein another primary line extent traverses across or over first and fourth pulleys, and also across or over second and third pulleys, and then passes through an aperture in the upper support to suspend the window covering, said primary ~~lines~~ line extents having junction connection to said at least one secondary line.

Claim 7 (currently amended): The combination of claim 1 wherein the window covering is raised as one of said rotary members turns counterclockwise and as another of said rotary members turns clockwise, the spring being windingly transferred from one rotary member to the other, one primary line extent traversing first and fourth pulleys, and then traversing second and third pulleys, to connect with ~~the~~ said at least one secondary line.

Claim 8 (current amended): The combination of claim 7 wherein another primary line extent traverses said second and third pulleys and then traverses the first and fourth pulleys to connect with ~~the~~ said at least one secondary line.

Claim 9 (currently amended): The ~~assembly~~ combination of claim 6 wherein said first, second, third and fourth pulleys are located in a row ~~at a hollow head rail in~~ said channel defined by said upper elongated support, whereby each primary line extent traverses the pulleys in a back and forth relation.

Claim 10 (currently amended): The ~~assembly~~ combination of claim 9 wherein said upper elongated support protectively contains all of said pulleys, rotary members and spring[[.]], in horizontally disposed relation.

Claim 11 (currently amended): The ~~assembly~~ combination of claim 1 wherein said primary ~~lines~~ line extents have first terminals operatively connected to said lower elongated member, below said upper support.

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Claim 13 (currently amended): The combination of claim 1 wherein said spring means has S-shaped configuration.

Claim 14 (currently amended): The combination of claim 1 wherein said spring means winds in a clockwise direction about one of said rotary members, and in a counterclockwise direction about ~~the other~~ another of said rotary members.

Claim 15 (currently amended): The combination of claim 1 wherein said one rotary member has coaxial and laterally spaced first and second surface portions, the spring means winding about the first portion, and ~~the~~ said at least one secondary line winding about the second portion.

Claim 16 (currently amended): The combination of claim 1 wherein each of the rotary members has coaxial and laterally spaced first and second surface portions.

Claim 17 (currently amended): The combination of claim 1 including ~~a housing,~~ and longitudinally spaced posts in the ~~housing~~ receptacle supporting the rotary members for free rotation about axes defined by the posts[[.]], said axes horizontally spaced apart.

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Claim 18 (currently amended): The combination of claim 17 including structure associated with the posts and rotary members, for ~~axially-positioning~~ horizontally spacing the rotary members in the ~~housing~~ receptacle.

Claim 19 (currently amended): The combination of claim 6 wherein the primary rotors and rotary members are received in said upper elongated support which is a window covering head rail.

Claims 20-49 (cancelled):